Phase IV of NHDP

1942. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to initiate phase IV of National Highways Development Programme (NHDP) all over the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of road stretches that would be two-laned in Orissa under the above project indicating the time-frame within which these would be initiated and completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) to (c) National Highways Development Project (NHDP), Phase-IV is at initial stage of planning wherein two laning with paved shoulder of 20,000 km. of National Highways is envisaged with an estimated cost of Rs. 27,800 crore. NHDP Phase-IV is targeted to be completed by December, 2015. It is too early to give the State-wise details for NHDP Phase-IV.

Ban on stereos while driving

1943. SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering putting a ban on use of stereos while driving the vehicle as it may lead to distraction as in the case of use of cell phone; and

(b) if so, by when it is expected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Widening of road in RS Pura in J&K

1944. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the State Government for upgradation and widening of road from Tareva to Neokawali Sai in R.S. Pura sector last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress in this regard?